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For: ANIMAL WITH SURGICALLY MODIFIED GASTROINTESTINAL TRACT AND METHOD FOR STUDYING OBESITY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to an Office Action dated March 14 2005, in connection with the above-identified application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the above-identified application be reconsidered in view of the Amendments and Remarks that follow, that each of the presently pending claims be allowed, and that the application be passed to issue.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 5